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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a), an extension of time of three months in the amount of \$1,050.00 is hereby requested to respond to the Office Action mailed July 9, 2007.

The requisite fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.17 should be charged to Deposit Account No. 08-2461. If any additional fees are due or any overpayment has been made, please charge Deposit Account No. 08-2461 or credit our Deposit Account for such sum.

Respectfully submitted,

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